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on 2/5/60, arturo fernandez de Castro Rodriguez, brother of MM-635-S, who should not be confused with MM-635-S' uncle, ARTURO FERNANDEZ DE CASTRO, advised that he had come to Miami to help his brother who had been arrested. He said that on 2/3/60, he talked to FERNANDO FUENTES COBA, chief of "Confidential A", who is the immediate chief of NM-635-S in the Cuban National Revolutionary Police. COBA expressed concern for MM-635-S, but gave no indication that he was uppet with MM-635-S, nor that he disapproved of him because of his arrest. ARTURO expressed the opinion that NM-635-S might even benefit in his position by virtue of this incident. ARTURO said that although he did not discuss with COBA the circumstances under which MM-635-S was sent to Miami, that he received the impression that MM-635-S1 function was to assist VALDES as a sort of supervisor in event advice was needed. A

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On 2/13/60, MM-635-S telephonically advised that he had just been released from jail under \$5,000.00 bond. His bond had been reduced from \$30,000.00 to \$5,000.00. He said that he had registered at the Travelers Hotel, Miami Springs, with JORGE VALDES in Room 226; that HENRY CARR, Attorney, represented him on the bond reduction; that he would be in Miami until Monday. (N)

on 2/15/60, MM-635-S met with SA GEORGE E. DAVIS, JR., and furnished additional information which he had extracted from VALDES, identifying JACK ALSTED, a former U. S. Colonel, telephone PL 7-2403, as the individual who was to supply and captain the boat to be used in kidnaping MASFERRER. He also furnished additional information concerning JOHN EXERG (not JOHN EX), with whom he spent Saturday. The foregoing will be reported under appropriate caption to the Bureau, and a new case is being opened on ALSTED.

MM-635-S said that he was departing the next day for Cuba, and that EKBERG would arrive in Cuba on 2/18/60 to report to EFIGENIC AMELJEIRAS, Chief of Police.

MM-635-S expressed the opinion that he would "be in the clear" with AMEIJEIRAS and COBA, and that he would resume his position in "Confidential A"  $\mathcal{K}$ 

He was informed that this office could not direct his activities, nor make further payments to him until the case involving his arrest had been resolved. MM-635-S accepted this notification gracefully and volunteered to keep this office advised of developments and pertinent information, to the best of his ability.

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On 2/16/60, MM-635-S telephonically advised that he was departing Miami on Cubana Flight 801 at 8:45 AM that day, along with his brother.  $\times(\mathcal{N})$ 

Miami notified Mr. FRANK DEVER, Chief of Travel Control, INS, of his departure. Miami also notified Mr. DEVER that the photo of JIAN FERNANDEZ, an alleged Communist, furnished by the Bureau, was not identical to MM-635-S. Mr. DEVER stated that MM-635-S would have no difficulty with INS in returning to Miami.

A review of all the facts relating to arrest of MM-635-S, along with JORGE VALDES, on 1/27/60, for conspiracy to kidnap, reflects, in the opinion of this office, that MM-635-S has not violated the confidence of the Bureau in any way.

It appears that his present assignment in "Confidential A" has placed him in a position where he must necessarily undertake calculated risks if he is to advance to a position where he will be of maximum value to the Bureau.

He has furnished reliable information in the past, and there is no reason to believe that he has falsified any information in this matter. On the contrary, his report of the facts has been found true wherever it is susceptible of verification.

The Bureau is requested to authorize Miami to renew direction of his activities and to resume payments for services rendered.

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